

Synopsis of April 16, 2008 Executive Board Meeting

1. Auditors Report

BDO Dunwoody presented the Auditor's Report.

2. Statutory Resolutions

Three Statutory Resolutions were **CARRIED** by the Executive Board and will be presented to Convention 2008.

3. Minutes of Meetings

A motion to have the minutes reflect that on February 13, four Executive Board members left the meeting as they declined to sign a legal non-disclosure agreement was voted on by roll call and was **DEFEATED**. A Minority Report was filed by: Eddy Almeida, Sue Brown, Mike Grimaldi and Jay Jackson

The minutes of the February and March Meeting were **CARRIED**

The minutes of January were reconsidered. Two changes were noted: Under Individual H&S Award a brother's name from region 4 was removed, no one is receiving the award this year, and the second correction was that Sister Lynn Orzel declined the nomination to the EAP Committee. The minutes of January were **CARRIED** as amended.

4. Convention 2012

The 2012 OPSEU Convention will be held at the Toronto Convention Centre.

5. Notice of Motion - Strike Fund Monies

A motion to transfer the appropriate monies to the Strike Fund on a monthly basis; and that the Executive Board receive complete Strike Fund financials at all board meetings, including the amount of money transferred to the Strike Fund and any monies used from the Strike Fund was voted by roll call and **CARRIED**. A Minority Report was filed by Dave Lundy and Patty Rout.

6. Constitutional Amendments

Three Constitutional Amendments **CARRIED** and will be presented to the 2008 Convention.

7. Constitutional Interpretation – Convention Delegates and Alternates

A member raised an issue regarding Convention delegate and alternate entitlements which needed an interpretation of the Constitution. President Thomas provided the Executive Board with the background and ruled that where before the convention call, a local has inadvertently elected more delegates than its entitlement, the individual delegates who are over the entitlement number shall be considered alternates, and ranked ahead of those members originally elected as alternates. The Executive Board endorsed the President's ruling.

8. OPS Bargaining Team Accommodation

This issue was deferred to the May meeting at which time the policy will be reviewed.

9. Alcohol and Gaming Issue

President Thomas gave the Executive Board an update on this issue.

10. Convention Resolutions

Resolution EB1 - Liquor Board Employees Division Bargaining Procedures and Resolution EB2 - CAAT(S) Negotiations and Divisional Procedures **CARRIED** and will be presented to the 2008 Convention.

11. Donation Request

The Executive Board **CARRIED** a donation in the amount of \$13,500 for the reprinting of Archie Sibeko's book, "Freedom in our Lifetime".

12. NUPGE Expenses

The NUPGE President and Secretary-Treasurer's salary was reported.

13. New Local 505

The Executive Board approved the establishment of new Local 505 comprised of air ambulance employees who are former OPS members who now work for ORNGE.

14. Merger Local 538 into Local 506

The Executive Board approved the merger of Local 538 into Local 506 and that the Charter for Local 538 be dissolved.

15. Lesmill Mortgage

The Executive Board approved that the Lesmill mortgage be paid in full, from the Strike Fund, as of May 31, 2008.

16. CAAT Part-Time Campaign

Paul Bilodeau, Administrator of Communication, Roman Stoykewych, General Counsel, Fran Borsellino, Supervisor Organizing and Connie Huziak, Organizer gave a presentation to the Executive Board.

17. OPS Bargaining Procedures

Frank Rooney, Administrator of Local Services Division – Head Office and Pam Doig, Supervisor Region 6&7, gave a presentation to the Executive Board.

A motion that the OPS procedures not be brought to the floor of the 2008 Convention was made. Sister Patty Rout requested a secret ballot. The motion **CARRIED**. A Minority Report was filed by Eddy Almeida, Gino Franche, Mike Grimaldi and Jay Jackson.

18. Delta Boycott Issue

Tim Brown, Chair of the Aboriginal Circle, made a presentation to the Executive Board.

A motion to let aboriginal circle members stay at other hotels when required to stay overnight on OPSEU business was made and **CARRIED**.

A second motion having the President send a letter on behalf of the union in support of OPSEU's aboriginal brother and sisters to the various leaders of the House of Labour to lobby the Delta Hotels in their respective regions to address the concerns of our members also **CARRIED**.

A third motion was made for the Office of the First Vice-President Treasurer to review the necessity of policy of 10.1-3 Titled "Accommodation: Delta Chelsea Inn, Official Hotel", and report back to the May Executive Board. This motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

A fourth motion was made and **CARRIED** that would allow the Equity Caucus and Committees to go to other hotels. This motion was referred back to the First Vice-President Treasurer's Office to be considered with the previous motion, and also to be brought back to the May meeting.

19. L446 Trusteeship

The OPSEU Executive Board **CARRIED** the immediate extension for six months of the trusteeship of Local 446 until further review.

20. Resolution to Convention 2008

A resolution entitled "REAL Women campaign against unions" will be forwarded to Convention 2008.

21. Staffing Issues

An in-camera session regarding staff matters was held. Progress was reported.

22. Adjournment

The Executive Board adjourned at 4:30 pm. All members were present.

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